rescue, rehablitation, reintegration and repatriation of victims of commercial sexual exploitation.

(vi) A Regional Task Force has been set up for implementation of the South Asia Association for Regional Cooperation (SAARC) Convention on Preventing and Combating Trafficking in Women and Children for Prostitution and a draft Standard Operation Procedures (SOP) has been circulated among Member States which covers the aspect of cross border trafficking, including rescue, rehabilitation and repatriation of victims.

(vii) The 'Bonded Labour System (Abolition) Act, 1976' provides for abolition of the system of bonded labour and the Government has taken various steps to check bonded labour and the rehabilitation of released bonded labourers.

(viii) Commercial dealing in human organs is a punishable offence under the Transplantation of Human Organs Act, 1994. The Appropriate Authorities appointed under the Act are responsible and empowered to check the illegal activities of human organs trafficking. The Central Government supports the State Governments in their endeavours to enforce these provisions.

Meeting of Naxal Task Force

2546. SHRI HARISH RAWAT:
SHRIMATI SHOBHANA BHARTIA:

Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

(a) whether a meeting of the Naxal Task Force was held recently at Lucknow to discuss modalities of the coordinated strategy for dealing with the Naxalite problem;

(b) if so, the details of the points discussed in the meeting and outcome thereof;

(c) wehther the coordination between police and security forces of the States have been further strengthened to tackle naxalite violence; and

(d) if so, the details thereof?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HOME AFFAIRS (SHRI SHRIPRAKASH JAISWAL): (a) and (b) A meeting of the Task Force was held in Lucknow on 18-03-2008.

The Taks Force has been constituted under Special Secretary (Internal Security) in the Ministry of Home Affairs, and consists of senior officers of Intelligence agencies, State Police Forces and Central Paramilitary Forces. It deliberates upon the operational steps needed to deal with the naxalite activities and brings about coordination between authorities of different States as may be necessary. It also holds discussions and interactions with small groups of States with reference to the specific inter-State coordination requirements in different areas relating to joint police operations.

Apart from issues related to these aspects, special emphasis was laid in the meeting on the need to conduct security audit in respect of the district armouries, police stations, jails, etc., and to strengthen their physical security.

(c) and (d) In addition to interactions through the Task Force on Inter-State coordination, regular reviews and inter-State meetings have also been conducted at the Central Government level

As a result of the various measures and interactions, coordinated operations have been stepped up and a number of successful inter-State joint police operations have been conducted in the recent 2-3 months.

Terrorist training camps in Bangladesh

†2547. SHRI RAJ MOHINDER SINGH MAJITHA
SHRI B J. PANDA:

Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS be pleased to state

(a) whether it is a fact that recently Border Security Force has given information with proof of 141 terrorists training camps to Bangladesh which are being run from there,

(b) if so, when was this information given and the details thereof,

(c) whether Bangladesh has assured to take further action on the basis of this information, and

(d) if so, the details thereof?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HOME AFFAIRS (SHRIMATI RADHIKA V. SELVI): (a) to (d) Based on the inputs and information available from various agencies/sources, a list of 141 hideouts of members of Indian Insurgent Groups (IIGs) in Bangladesh territory was given to the Bangladesh side during the Director General (DG) level Border Coordination Rifles (BDR), held in Dhaka on 24-27 October 2007 While information about the specific action taken by the Bangladesh authorities is not available, in the subsequent DG level meeting held in Delhi on 9-11 April 2008, a revised list of 117 hideouts was given to the Bangladesh side.

The Government of Bangladesh has consistently maintained and assured that its territory will not be allowed to be used for activities inimical to India. The matter continues to be regularly taken up with Bangladesh during the bilateral talks and interactions at various levels.

Chief Minister's Conference on Internal Security

2548. DR. (SHRIMATI) NAJMA A. HEPTULLA:
SHRI MAHENDRA MOHAN
SHRI KAMAL AKHTAR:

Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS be pleased to state.

(a) whether in the Chief Minister's Conference held on Internal Security, Prime Minister has stressed on the need of police reforms, improvement of training and performance;

(b) if so, what kind of reforms are likely to be undertaken by Government,

(c) whether the high level of politicization has crippled the efficacy of policy in the States like Uttar Pradesh and Bihar where large scale transfer demoralize the men in uniform; and

(d) if so, what Government is doing to depoliticize police force in the States?

† Original notice of the question was received in Hindi